



Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, Year 4 participate in a series of Outdoor Learning sessions we call "Coastal Schools". These sessions involve visiting the Bell Wharf Beach in Leigh, exploring the coastal environment and learning from it. We aim to visit the beach in any weather: rain or shine. The only instances weather may stop a beach trip is during storms or particularly strong winds. We therefore ask that your child is appropriately dressed for their Coastal Schools sessions.

On the day, children should wear a waterproof coat or cagoule, a warm jumper and waterproof footwear (walking boots or wellies are ideal). If they want to paddle in the water, we will only allow it if they have wellies. Trainers, whilst comfortable, can lead to wet feet and grumpy children! Clothing is likely to get muddy and damp so no best coats or footwear please. If your child has waterproof trousers, these would be great but warm jogging bottoms are fine. Jeans are not suitable for the winter months and tights and skirts are never appropriate for the activities. In any case, it is a good idea that they have a spare pair of socks in case they get wet feet plus another pair of shoes to change into. If they have PE in the afternoon, they may also need to bring their PE kit to change into at lunch time – we would inform you in advance if that is the case.

The children will not have a snack whilst at the beach. On their return to school, they will either have the opportunity to eat it before lunch or at some point in the afternoon. Unfortunately, they will not have access to the tuck shop on the day they have Coastal Schools.

Whilst at Coastal Schools, the children will take part in some carefully planned tasks. Should you find yourself passing, we would politely ask you not to interrupt their learning. We are sure the children will be keen to tell you all about it when they return home! Having said that, these amazing opportunities would not be possible without some additional help from you, the parents. If you are free to help on any of the Coastal School dates, please return the slip below to your child's class teacher. We will then confirm with you should we need your offer of help.

Ms D Fletcher
Outdoor Learning Lead

Mrs D Thompson
Year 4 Lead

4T Monday 28th September
4M Tuesday 29th September
4R Wednesday 30th September
4C Wednesday 14th October

4R Monday 2nd November
4C Tuesday 3rd November
4M Wednesday 11th November
4T Monday 14th December

Please return to your child's class teacher

Year 4 Coastal Schools

Child's name:

Child's class:

Date(s) I can offer to help:

Contact number to confirm:

